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The Sheik who has recently ascended the Arabic Throne in this Dominion sends greeting to the Faithful :

TO THEE HE SAYS :—

May Peace and Love abide with thee always! may thy bags of gold never diminish! and may thy dwelling be with Hural-Oyun in Paradise!

FAITHFUL! BE YE TO THE TRUTH ATTENT!

On Leylet el Arbaa, Shaaban 19, S. H., 1310,

— OR —

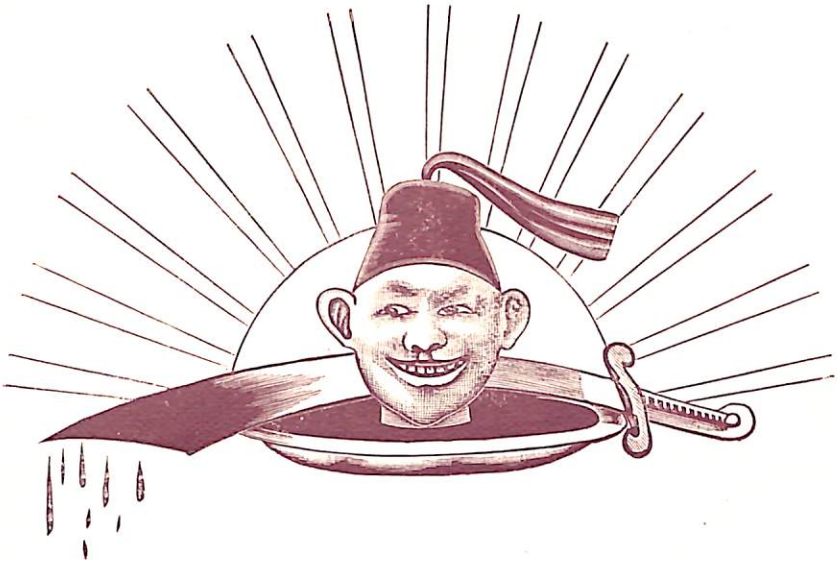
Wednesday, March 8, A. D., 1893,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

A pilgrimage will be celebrated.

First Ceremonial Session!

ART READY Tº ANSWER FOR THYSELF?
THY CAMEL, TOO? HOW HE HATH FARED?
TAKE FEZ AND JEWEL FRºM THE SHELF
AND CºME, OR THºU SHALT NOT BE SPARED.



THE NOVICE WHO, WITH ANXIOUS CARE,
ESSAYS Tº CROSS THE DESERT SAND,
WILL NEED A FRIENDLY ARM, MADE BARE,
Tº SAVE AND BRING HIM TO THE END.

The Scherif Sultani earnestly desires a full attendance on this, the first pilgrimage conducted by him. In this, the Divan is a unit. Therefore, lend thy presence to swell the number of the faithful composing the caravan, and thy assistance in conducting weary Seekuhs into the restful shades of the Oasis of Sahn Looeeh, where

WE LINGER IN PLEASURES THAT NEVER ARE GONE;
LIKE THE DAYS OF SUMMER, AS ONE DIES AWAY,
ANOTHER AS SWEET AND AS SHINING COMES ON;
COME HITHER, THEN, AND COME PREPARED TO STAY.

Would you join in the Keif of the Welee before the Adan of the Muezzin; see the postulants kiss haggeh el ashad;

AND share in their joyous oblectation as they drink fenchans of water from the fountain of Blak Purleh, and sing

"OH, GLAD WAS THE HOUR, AND HAPPY THE TIME,
WHEN FIRST I ENTERED THE MYSTIC SHRINE."

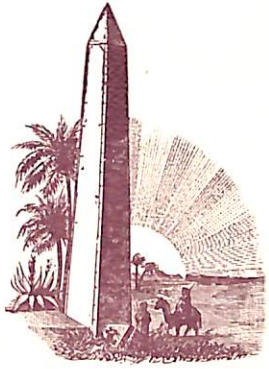
Then attend the Celebration of the extraordinary

Festival of the Great Tanta Fair,

and the

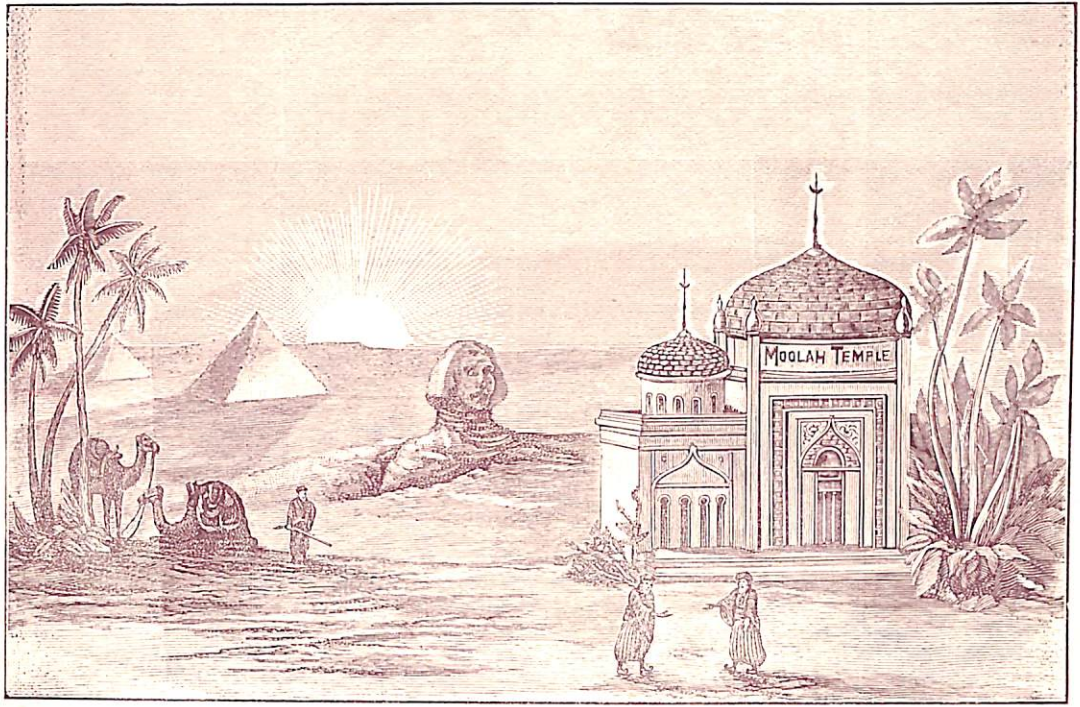
Moulid of the Seyyed Ahmid el Bedowi,

and thou shalt see



"SUCH SIGHTS AS YOUTHFUL POETS DREAM,
ON SUMMER EVES, BY HAUNTED STREAM."

tether thy camels of care on the outside, and present thyself at the golden gate of the Mosque,



on Leylet el Arbaa, Shaaban 19, Sanna Hejra, 1310, known to the Gaiour and the Kafir of the Outah Wuld as

Wednesday Evening, March 8, Anno Domini, 1893, at 8 O'Clock;

and thou shalt learn of Leylet en Nusf Shaaban, the Record of Truth on the Lotus Tree of Life, and the Fall of the leaf of Destiny: and———

Then repair to the rites of Esheh and Mohgrib

—to the table

"SPREAD WITH FRUITS AND WINE:
WITH GRAPES OF GOLD, LIKE THOSE THAT SHINE
ON CASBIN'S HILLS: POMEGRANATES FULL
OF MELTING SWEETNESS; AND THE PEARS,
AND SUNNIEST APPLES THAT CAUBUL,
IN ALL ITS THOUSAND GARDENS, BEARS;
AND BASRA DATES AND APRICOTS,
SEED OF THE SUN FROM IRAN'S LAND:
WINES, TOO, OF EVERY CLIME AND HUE,
FROM VINEYARDS OF THE GREEN-SEA GUSHING—
AND SHIRAZ WINE, THAT RICHLY RAN
AS IF THAT JEWEL, LARGE AND RARE—
THE RUBY FOR WHICH KUBLAI-KHAN
OFFERED A CITY'S WEALTH—WAS BLUSHING
MELTED WITHIN THE GOBLET THERE."

Illustrious Noble Wm. H. Mayo, not knowing that he was so soon to become Imperial Recorder, but desiring only to rest and smoke his Sebil in peace, has retired as Recorder of this Temple, and his successor requests thee to pay thy dues, if any thou owest, that thy account may be at once balanced.

The Annual Dues for the present year, 1893, are payable in advance, and the Recorder has a fresh block of receipts.

WHY DO THE WEARY CAMELS BLEAT AND CRY?
AND ON THEIR HUMPS FOR SUSTENANCE DRAW?
WHY THE FODDER GONE? AND THE SHERBA DRY?
AH! NOW THOU SEE'ST WHERE IS THE FLAW!

No dews, no grass;
No grass, no camels;
No camels, no caravan;
No caravan, no pilgrimage;
No pilgrimage, no pleasure;
No pleasure without cost:
Therefore, pay thy dues,
Else, with Guwat wa Ghadab,
Thou wilt surely be compelled.

For thus reads the Law: ✧ ✧ ✧ ✧ ✧ ✧ ✧

"If thou furnish not provender for thy camel, then shall he eat off his own head; he shall no longer bear thee across the sands. Yea, it shall be proclaimed to the four winds of heaven that thy beast of burden was starved to death, and so thou shall be brought into bad repute among thy fellows."

Thou art slow, but be thou sure.

Of those who promptly pay, the Prophet has said:

"These shall be rewarded with the highest apartment in Paradise * * * and they shall meet Hural-Oyun therein with greeting and salutations; they shall remain forever."

Under dispensation of the Imperial Potentate, petitions will be received and acted upon at this session.

Forget not your

I have ordered it:

OTTO F. SIFEL, Scherif Sultani.

I have recorded it:

A. MOORE BERRY, Scherif al Katib.

I will execute it:

FRANK B. FILLEY, Scherif al Wakil.

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